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"Our nation is moving toward two societies, one
black, one white—separate and unequal."
—U.S. Riot Commission Report, March 1968

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Dear Friend:

The Report of the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders dismisses attempts to treat the symptoms of our fevered cities. Theirs is no simple prescription of suppression in the name of "Law and Order." Instead, the Commission asks us to treat the virus itself — the racism of which most Americans are guilty.

The young man with the flaming bottle on the enclosed ad may well make you mad...and scared...and guilty. But it is long-standing American racism which makes him mad, and scared, and guilty.

Certainly something has got to be done now to remove the causes of explosions on city streets across our land. And that something depends upon re-establishing the confidence of this young man — and thousands like him — that the law will protect him and help him earn a stake in our increasingly affluent society.

The NAACP Legal Defense Fund (LDF) works to show victims of discrimination that the law can be on their side. We battle in the courts for fair and adequate public assistance to the needy, for open housing, for jobs, and for the educational opportunity which can open a new life to the children of the disadvantaged.

Utilizing the experience gained in the long fight to place constitutional law firmly on the side of full racial equality, LDF now pioneers to secure

Dear Bishop Tame —

I believe you do your cause a
disservice by involving a distributive (multi-personal) (OVER PLEASE)
rather than a collective (institutional) guilt!